

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Interconnection Between a )  
Component and a Printed )  
Circuit Board )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a continuation application filed under  
37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

### **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Applicants propose to cancel claims 1-30 and to add new claims 31-57, as set forth herein. Applicants also propose to amend the specification, as set forth below.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination on the merits.